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IMPROVEMENTS IN USER RAILROAD OPERATIONS

MORE AROVE-NORM-WEIGHT TRAINS -- Leaingradskaya Pravda, 3 Aug 52

During 1951, 6,882 above-norm-weight trains carrying over 2,542,000 tons of freight above norm were hauled over the October Railroad System. In the first haif of 1952, 6,085 above-norm weight trains were run carrying 2,268,000 tons of freight above norm.

IATVIAN SYSTEM INCREASES CAR HANDLING -- Riga, Sovetskaya Latviya, 25 Jun 52

On 24 June 1952, the Latvian Railrosi System completed the 6-month plan for loading and unloading; 24,500 more cars were handled in 1952 than in 1951.

CONTAINER CARRYING ON TURK-SIB STSTEM -- Alma-Ata, Kazakhstanskaya Pravda

* means of expediting hauling by rail is the more thorough use of container carrying. Freight handling can be mechanized through the use of containers and its cost considerably lowered.

Hauling valuable commodities such as shoes, clothing, knitwear, and other consumers' goods in universal-type containers is being done on an ever-increasing scale because of its great convenience and economy. On the Turkestan-Siberia Railroad System, for example, the amount of freight hauled in containers has increased three times compared with 1946. These measures saved 15 million rubles and 500 carloads of timber necessary for packing.

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SUMMER TRAIN SCHEDULE INTRODUCED -- Moscow, Gudok, 27 May 52

On the night of 26 May 1952, the USSR railroads began operating on the summer schedule. The new schedule calls for an increase in the amount of freight hauled by the trains operating on a line while increasing the weight norm of each train 28 tons, and also for faster speed of hauling.

REPORT TRAIN SCHEDULE -- Toilisi, Zarya Vostoka, 9 Aug 52

Train No 46, running between Tbilisi and Sukhumi, leaves Tbilisi every other day on even-rumbered days.

DIESELS OPERATING AT TAKHIA TASH -- Moscov, Pravda, 13 Aug 52

In the spring of 1952, the first diesels began operating along the banks of the Amu-Dar'ya at Takhia Tash. Since then, flow of freight along the line connecting Chardzhou with the construction site has increased steadily.

TURK-SIB SYSTEM HEAD RELIEVED OF DUTY -- Moscow, Gudok, 25 Jul 52

N. A. Mezinov has been relieved as head of the Turkestan-Siberia Railroad System and V. S. Kulak has been appointed to the post.

DEATES OF TWO RAILROAD SYSTEM SEARS -- Moscow, Pravda, 12 Aug 52

German Vasil'yevich Kovalev, head of the Southwestern Railroad System, died on 10 August 1952.

Leningradskaya Pravda, 25 Jun 52

Ivan Andreyevich Shmelev, head of the Leningrad Railroad System, died on 24 June 1952.

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